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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CLINTON TO PRESIDENT  
BIZIMUNGU (S/S 9502198)

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT  
CLINTON TO PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU AT APPROPRIATE TIME. WHITE  
HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT OF MESSAGE BUT HAS NO  
OBJECTION IF GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA WISHES TO DO SO. SIGNED  
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2. BEGIN TEXT:

FEBRUARY 6, 1995

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I WAS PLEASED TO RECEIVE YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 27, 1994 WELCOMING OUR MUTUAL EFFORTS TO RESTORE PEACE, SECURITY AND DEMOCRACY TO RWANDA. ANTHONY LAKE HAS TOLD ME OF HIS PRODUCTIVE VISIT TO RWANDA, AND I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE HOSPITALITY YOUR COUNTRY EXTENDED TO HIM AND HIS DELEGATION. WE HAVE FOLLOWED CLOSELY THE TREMENDOUS HARDSHIP AND SUFFERING OF THE RWANDAN PEOPLE AND WELCOME

THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH YOU TO ENSURE ALL RWANDANS CAN LIVE IN PEACE AND SECURITY. YOUR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, RULE OF LAW AND RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ARE THE BEST WAY TO ACHIEVE THAT GOAL.

AS YOU ARE AWARE, WE HAVE NOW TAKEN ACTION ON A NUMBER OF THE AREAS YOU DISCUSSED WITH MR. LAKE, INCLUDING CLEARING OF RWANDA'S ARREARS AT THE WORLD BANK AND ENHANCED ASSISTANCE TO THE INTERNATIONAL WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL. WE REMAIN CONCERNED ABOUT THE SECURITY SITUATION IN THE REFUGEE AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMPS. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT GENUINE RECONCILIATION AND PEACE WILL ONLY FOLLOW U.N. AND RWANDAN EFFORTS THAT SUPPORT TRULY VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION AND RETURN WITH RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY ASSURANCES OF THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF MY GOVERNMENT AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AS YOU WORK TO BUILD

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RWANDA'S FUTURE.

SINCERELY,

BILL CLINTON

END TEXT

CHRISTOPHER

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